GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
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PROTECTION OF MONUMENTS IN U.P. AND DELHI
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an immediate need to repair/restore and develop many archaeological monuments located in Uttar Pradesh and Delhi;

(b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government for the repair, restoration and development of the said monuments;

(c) whether the amount required for some of the monuments has already been sanctioned even though repairing/restoration works have not yet started; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) to (d) Archaeological conservation, upkeep and maintenance are an ongoing process and the Archaeological Survey of India has prepared perspective plan for comprehensive and integrated conservation and development of the monuments identified throughout the country including Uttar Pradesh and Delhi. The funds spent during the last two years in respect of Uttar Pradesh and Delhi amount to Rs. 1095 lakh and 1274 lakh respectively.